

**To:** Yamada, Richard (Yujiro)[yamada.richard@epa.gov]  
**From:** Beck, Nancy  
**Sent:** Thur 1/4/2018 7:41:11 AM  
**Subject:** Re: NAS workshop

Thanks. I'm working on the good pictures! It's really lovely here.  
Hanging in there! New year=new beginnings

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On Jan 4, 2018, at 11:02 AM, Yamada, Richard (Yujiro) <yamada.richard@epa.gov> wrote:

Same to you - happy new year - and please take some good pics

PS - I set up a time with Derrick to talk with u when u get back - I'm tearing my hair out ...

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 3, 2018, at 7:03 PM, Beck, Nancy <Beck.Nancy@epa.gov> wrote:

Ok. Quite surprising but everything is strange these days. Dive trip is great so far!  
Happy new year!

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On Jan 4, 2018, at 7:12 AM, Yamada, Richard (Yujiro) <yamada.richard@epa.gov> wrote:

They made it very clear that this could not be moved and that they were not going to accommodate

Hope you are enjoying your trip

**From:** Beck, Nancy  
**Sent:** Wednesday, January 3, 2018 4:20 PM  
**To:** Yamada, Richard (Yujiro) <[yamada.richard@epa.gov](mailto:yamada.richard@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** Fwd: NAS workshop

FYI. I find it hard to believe a workshop can't be moved, even if it comes with a slight cost to the Agency(booked travel for members). Have you spoken to NAS directly about this?

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**From:** "Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer" <[Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov](mailto:Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** January 3, 2018 at 10:16:26 PM GMT+9  
**To:** "Bertrand, Charlotte" <[Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov](mailto:Bertrand.Charlotte@epa.gov)>, "Bahadori, Tina" <[Bahadori.Tina@epa.gov](mailto:Bahadori.Tina@epa.gov)>  
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**Subject:** RE: NAS workshop

Hi Charlotte,  
I learned that it will not be feasible to postpone this workshop, and given schedules, it might not be realistic to modify the scope of the workshop at this time. (The workshop is not be a peer review of systematic review, so the scope would not address our interests. )

Given this it makes sense for us to proceed with the original plan of focusing this workshop on the programmatic review of IRIS and a check in on how we are addressing prior NAS recommendations.

To address our other interests of a peer review of approaches: qualitative and quantitative binning, which I think is still a good idea, we have a few options we could consider: reconvene the NAS panel at a later date, set up a review using FACA committees such as the BOSC, TSCA FACA or set up a separate contract led review.

Let's resume our broader coordination efforts after everyone returns to see how move forward.

Safe travels back and hope everyone enjoyed a bit of a break!

Thanks,  
Jennifer

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From: Bertrand, Charlotte  
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Cc: Beck, Nancy <[Beck.Nancy@epa.gov](mailto:Beck.Nancy@epa.gov)>; Yamada, Richard (Yujiro) <[yamada.richard@epa.gov](mailto:yamada.richard@epa.gov)>; Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer <[Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov](mailto:Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov)>  
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Hi Tina - thanks for the message. Nancy will not be available for a phone call until she is back in the office on the 11th. I am also currently out of the office and will be back in the 4th. I didn't catch in the message below if the meeting has been postponed. Can you let us know the status? Hope you all had a good holiday. Charlotte

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 28, 2017, at 12:19 PM, Bahadori, Tina  
<[Bahadori.Tina@epa.gov](mailto:Bahadori.Tina@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hi Charlotte and Nancy,

The NAS wanted to meet early next week to discuss this. I see that

Nancy is out until the 11th, but not sure if she might be available for a phone call/meeting with the NAS?

Tina

-----Original Message-----

From: Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer

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Subject: NAS workshop

Hi all

To follow up on the discussions you have been having on IRIS and the upcoming NAS workshop, i asked Tina to reach out to the academy to explore including OPPT in the agenda. The NAS would like to get together with us next week to discuss how we would see this meeting playing out. Tina will follow up with proposed times.

Thanks and wishing everyone a happy new year!

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